

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

31 January 2006

The Honorable William H. Frist, M.D.
Majority Leader
United States Capitol
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Leader:

We understood and strongly supported your decision to postpone the vote on the repeal of the Death Tax to deal directly with the impact of Hurricane Katrina. However, we also congratulate and endorse your recent statement at the National Farm Bureau Federation meeting endorsing a vote "sooner than later."

As your Wall Street Journal article last year put it, "We can put to rest the financial insecurity and uncertainty that haunts too many American families and businesses. And we can remove a major government roadblock that stands between people who work hard their entire lives and their desire to pass on a piece of the American dream to their children."

The American people stand with you on this and we wish to add our voice to encourage a vote. We pledge to work with you, the President and Vice President, the hundreds of organizations and the majority of Americans supporting repeal. Together we will be successful.

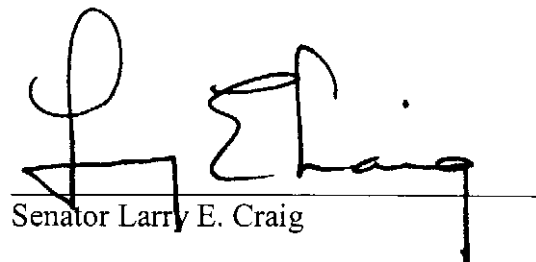
Although we would gladly accept the earliest opportunity to end the Death Tax, we humbly suggest scheduling a vote before the Memorial Day recess.

Thank you for your continued and steadfast leadership on this issue. We deeply appreciate your commitment to reschedule the vote.

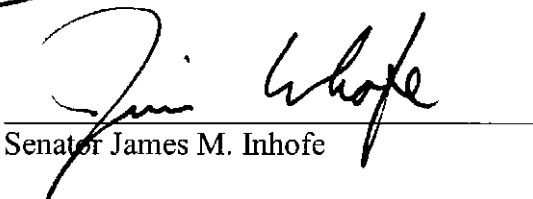
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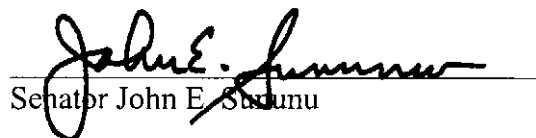
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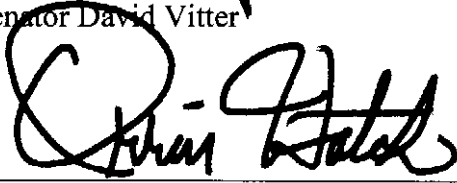
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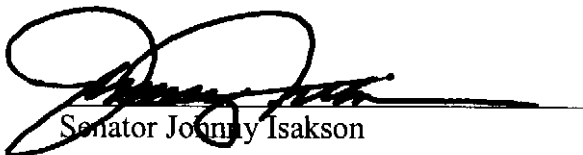
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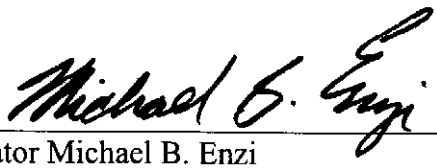
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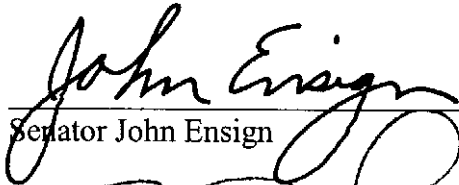
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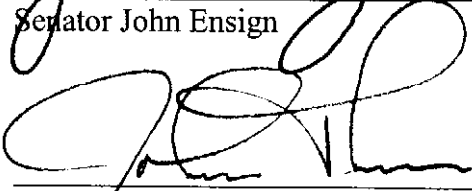
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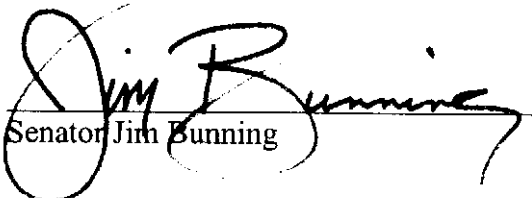
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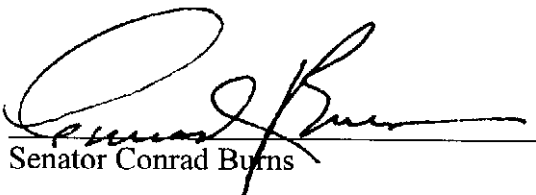
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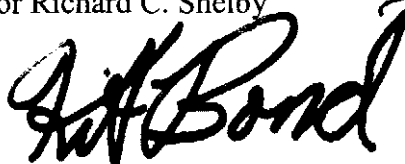
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Senator Richard C. Shelby



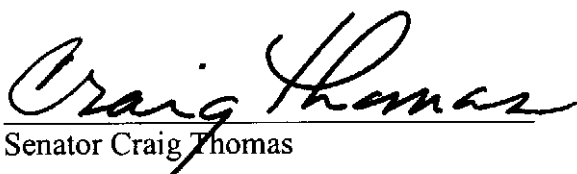
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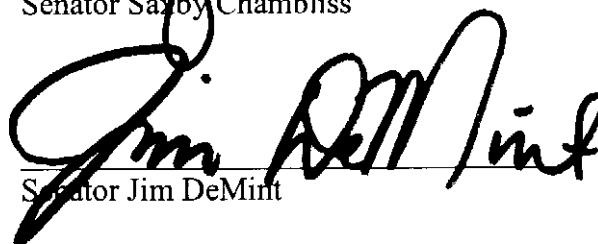
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